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MEMOBANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Documentation Situation

REFERENCE: Wash Cable 5912.

1. The question of the best means of exiting Pixies from Italy is still open. Apparently, the best means available will be to utilize Red Cross cards, subject to your confirmation that these cards are still a valid alternative to passport. If so, we need to know the dates of issue between 5 December 1946 and 20 March 1948 which are most suitable for each individual to be exited. We are ready to stamp numbers here appropriate to date and forward to you with instructions for final processing. If other dates are necessary, then we need to know a few numbers issued in Rome on or close to those dates.

## 2. As to documentation for Pixieland:

a. The only Pixieland temporary residence permit available here for copyings is dated 16 January 1947. Problems confronting us are what difference in form or substance since or before that date, what is normal tenure of validity of such a document, and since we are equipped to provide only Series

we need samples for any other needed cities. In that connection, one original is necessary plus as many photographs of others as is possible.

- b. The only foreigners residence permit available tempen is dated 2 January 1948. The same problems exist as in the paragraph above, in addition to knowing how many of this type you will desire.
- c. One blank personal identity card for Pixieland is available here for reproduction in needed numbers, but we do not know what bearing a series number has on issuance in various cities.
- 3. The biggest hurdle in documentation is assigning a plausible number to associate with a selected date, what signature is thereon for that date, what cachet and what revenue stamps are thereon. Of these, the date-number combination is believed to be the most readily discernible error by Pixies.
- 4. Those are the gaps which must be filled in before we can do very much here. At the present time it is very difficult to estimate what time elapse will occur between the time we are ready to proceed here and the time you will receive what you need.

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